



Making Hawai'i a Safe & Sane Fireworks State

WHEREAS, fireworks contain toxic chemicals and it spreads heavy metals that contribute to Hawai'i's air, water; and soil pollution; and

WHEREAS, fireworks are affecting the health and safety of dogs, cats, birds, fish, children, the elderly, and veterans with post traumatic stress disorder; and

WHEREAS, Honolulu residents have complained about illegal fireworks & skyrocket being fired off at all hours of the day and night; and

WHEREAS, fireworks cause a wide variety of health concerns such as cancer, respiratory and reproductive problems in humans and animals; and

WHEREAS, in Honolulu from Dec 31 2021 to Jan 1st, 2022 there more than 11 persons seriously injured by fireworks, including one child; and

WHEREAS, illegal fireworks are being stored in small stores, warehouses, and homes where they are a serious fire hazard; and

WHEREAS, people are now buying fireworks-making kits which are coming in by United States Postal Service ground and being shipped to Hawai'i by airmail; and

WHEREAS, the Nextdoor group Stop all illegal Fireworks group has allowed the local community to voice and share ideas on what the City, State, and Federal Government can do to correct Hawai'i's Fireworks problems; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVE, the Makiki/Lower Punchbowl/Tantalus Neighborhood Board No. 10 asks State and City Legislators to use its resources to stop illegal fireworks from entering Hawai'i by way of its Ports and Postal Services; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Makiki/Lower Punchbowl/Tantalus Neighborhood Board No. 10 asks the Legislature to improve its fireworks laws by assisting the counties in starting up a monetary reward program, that asks for the names & addresses of illegal fireworks shippers, distributors, and sellers; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be distributed to the Governor of Hawai'i, the Lieutenant Governor of Hawai'i, Representative Della Au Belatti, Representative Sylvia Luke, Senator Brian Taniguchi, and Senator Sharon Moriwaki.

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